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Sent: 9/10/2022 1:16:55 AM
To: McCoy, Melissa [mccoy.melissa@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: I-270 meeting language

Cool – I am super happy that it works! I sent Stephanie an email after you and I spoke and let her know that Wednesday 10/5 after 2 pm would work best for our team. I gave her all of our names with the caveat that we needed to confirm with Adam.

From: McCoy, Melissa <mccoy.melissa@epa.gov>
Sent: Friday, September 9, 2022 6:39 PM
To: Smith, Julie <Smith.Julie@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: I-270 meeting language

Actually, I just read over it, and it is great! A perfect explanation and I will send it verbatim to Adam. Please let me know when we have a time set for the meeting but for now I will let him know it will probably be after 2:00 on 10/5.

Thanks again!
Melissa

From: McCoy, Melissa
Sent: Friday, September 9, 2022 6:11 PM
To: Smith, Julie <Smith.Julie@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: I-270 meeting language

Thank you very much, Julie! Much appreciated. 😊

From: Smith, Julie <Smith.Julie@epa.gov>
Sent: Friday, September 9, 2022 5:37 PM
To: McCoy, Melissa <mccoy.melissa@epa.gov>
Subject: I-270 meeting language

This may be too wordy, but cut back/edit at will. Hopefully this will help in getting Adam on the call. 😊

The Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) Colorado State Office is proposing an October 5, 2022, meeting between EPA Region 8 NEPA and Air Quality Division, FHWA and Colorado DOT staffs to discuss the status of the proposed I-270 road improvement project to be constructed in the Commerce City area of Denver. The project is currently being analyzed under NEPA in an environmental assessment. The purpose of this meeting is for FHWA/CDOT to preview information coming out of their air quality modeling and health impacts studies prepared for the proposed project and to consider potential cumulative impacts to the citizens of Commerce City, a population with environmental justice (EJ) characteristics. Citizens from the Commerce City community have expressed public and environmental health concerns as a result of recent and planned road way improvement projects (e.g., I-270, I-70 East and Central, Vasquez Avenue improvement projects) in a community landscape that is dominated by historic heavy industrial development and resultant pollution. This meeting is intended to create a common understanding among agencies of the efforts on the part of CDOT and FHWA to appropriately consider air emission impacts particularly within the context of EJ and equity considerations in the NEPA process. It will also provide an opportunity for interagency collaboration on identifying potential opportunities to avoid, minimize, and mitigate impacts posed to community residents and workers by the construction and maintenance of the I-270 roadway.

Let me know if you have any questions. I will be online for another hour or so. J

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